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June 3, 2021

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chair House Appropriations Committee H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$6,500,000 of funding for the construction of a Medical Training Facility at Boise Air Terminal (Gowen Field), Idaho for the 124th Fighter Wing, Idaho Air National Guard in the FY 2022 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill.

The project sponsor for this project is the 124th Fighter Wing, Idaho Air National Guard, located at Gowen Field in Boise, Idaho.

The funding is designated to construct a 10,550 square foot Medical Training Facility to provide administrative area, classrooms, laboratories, exam rooms, record storage, and mobility training storage for the 124th Medical Group. The project entails construction of a new building with site improvements to include pavements, utilities, communication support, as well as demolition of 3 sub-standard buildings/7,951 square feet on the site. This project will provide a facility that complies with patient privacy requirements and space authorized for military medical and training functions.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds, and the construction of an adequate facility directly benefits the Department of Defense and the State of Idaho by ensuring the medical readiness of the 1,300 Airmen assigned to the 124th Fighter Wing as well as producing trained medical professionals capable of deploying to Federal mission tasks around the world and to State mission tasks throughout the state of Idaho. Strong community support has been demonstrated for this project, and the Department of Defense

has listed this project on the FY 2021 Future Years Defense Program and the FY 2022 Air Force Unfunded Priorities list.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Mike Simpson

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